

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Brave Americans served our country in all conflicts with courage, honor, and valor; and,

Whereas, Thousands of individuals made the ultimate sacrifice in America's wars, from 1775 to present, and tens of thousands more were wounded in combat; and,

Whereas, Our Nation maintains a solemn commitment to leave no service member behind. Nearly 1,700 Americans are missing from the Vietnam War, approximately 8,000 unaccounted for from the Korean War, 120 from the Cold War, over 78,000 from WWII, 1 MIA in Iraq, and 1 POW in Afghanistan; and,

Whereas, The people of South Dakota are honored to thank our veterans for all that they have given in the service of our country; and,

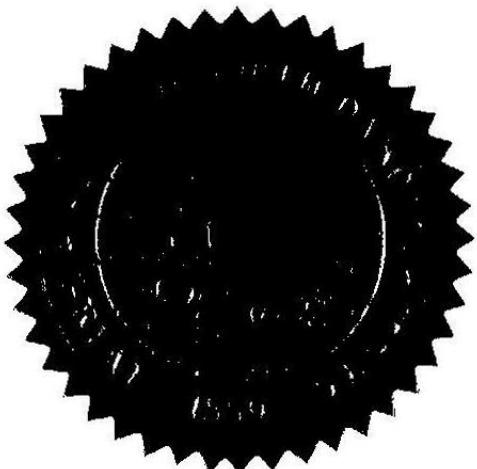
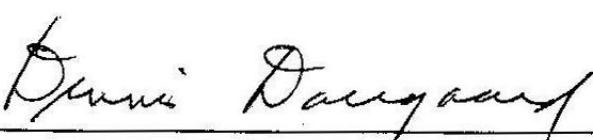
Whereas, On the third Sunday in July, 2012, the Vietnam and Legacy Vets Motorcycle Club will host a motorcycle run in the Pierre area and a wreath laying at the Veterans Memorial on the Capitol Lake honoring all veterans who served with honor:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 22, 2012, as

VETERANS MEMORIAL RUN DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:



Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State